FISCAL NOTE

SB 511 - HB 1294

February 21, 2001

SUMMARY OF BILL: Amends the *good cause* provision to permit time extension of eligibility for the Families First program if an enrollee is seeking the extension to attend school full time or is unable to find work for reasons beyond their control.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$259,300 Recurring \$40,700 One-Time

Estimate assumes:

- any cost for extension of program benefits beyond current time limits would be funded with state funds because, according to the Department of Human Services, the provisions of this bill conflict with the Families First waiver.
- the Families First caseload would grow by about seven cases a month at an average cost of \$475 per case, per month
- program changes to the DHS computer system would require one-time costs of \$40,700.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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